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**Introduced by Senator Knight**

February 23, 1999

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An act to add Section 1669.7 to the Vehicle Code, relating to the Department of Motor Vehicles.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 581, as introduced, Knight. Department of Motor Vehicles: offices.

Under existing law, the Department of Motor Vehicles is required to maintain offices for the transaction of business with the public.

This bill would require the department to establish and operate a full-time office in the City of Tehachapi. The bill would set forth legislative findings and declarations.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. The Legislature finds that the southeast  
2 Kern County region would be better served by locating  
3 an office of the Department of Motor Vehicles in the City  
4 of Tehachapi. An office in the City of Tehachapi serving  
5 southeast Kern County would handle 13,619 transactions  
6 per year, and would reduce the number of transactions in  
7 offices located in Arvin, Bakersfield, Bakersfield  
8 southwest, Lake Isabella, Lancaster, Palmdale, and  
9 Ridgecrest. A full-time office in that city would  
10 significantly decrease traffic congestion on local roads

1 and highways and provide adequate services to meet that  
2 region's needs.

3 SEC. 2. Section 1669.7 is added to the Vehicle Code,  
4 to read:

5 1669.7. The department shall establish and operate a  
6 full-time office in the City of Tehachapi.

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